NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID

2025-2026 Financial Aid Checklist

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☐ Step 1: Complete 2025-2026 FAFSA

- First, navigate to studentaid.gov and click "Create Account". If a student is under the age of 24 their parents may need an FSA account as well, to sign the FAFSA and also provide 2023 tax information.
- Students/Parents can change their account's preferred language to Spanish by clicking the "Español" button located at the top right of the studentaid.gov homepage.
- After creating your FSA ID hover over "Apply for Aid", a dropdown window will appear, and then click "Complete the FAFSA Form". Log in to the FAFSA and select the "Student" option.
- You will need 2023 1040 tax returns along with residency, personal, and demographic information to complete the FAFSA.
- Once the FAFSA is submitted, it will take 3-5 business days to process and for NCC to get a copy. Completed forms will receive an estimated financial aid for the academic year at a full-time (12 credits) schedule. Once registered for classes, Workday will update to show official financial aid for that semester.

☐ Step 2: Complete Pennsylvania State Grant Application

- If you are a Pennsylvania resident you may be eligible for the PA State grant. Navigate to PHEAA.org, create an account, and apply for the 2025-2026 academic year grant.
- The general application closes May 1st. However, first-year community college PA Grant applicants have until August 1st.

☐ Step 3: Complete Workday Inbox Items and Submit Documents

- Some students may need to submit additional documents to verify the information submitted on their FAFSA. Once logged in to Workday, click this icon 📨 at the top right of your screen to view the inbox.
- Our office will review the documents and alert you if extra steps are needed. Financial Aid cannot be offered until Workday Inbox Items are complete (Excluding Entrance Counselling & Master Promissory Note)

☐ Step 4: Review/Accept/Decline Subsidized & Unsubsidized Loans

- To review or accept federal loans first log in to Workday, then click the "finances" tab, and then select "accept/decline awards". From there you can see any offered loans and are able to accept/decline them and edit the amount taken.
- If you accepted loans you must complete all action items in Workday including the Master Promissory Note and Entrance Counseling located at studentaid.gov. Typically, we'll get notified 2-3 days after completion. After all action items are marked as completed we'll process the loans and they'll reflect on your account.

Have additional Financial Aid questions?

Visit us at www.Northampton.edu/Financialaid

☐ How to apply for a Parent Plus Loan

- To apply for a Parent Plus loan, have your <u>Parent</u> first log in to their studentaid.gov account. Once logged in, hover over "Apply for Aid" and from the dropdown menu select "Apply for Parent Plus Loan". Applications are subject to a credit check and an approval/denial is instant.
- If approved, the parent will need to complete a <u>Parent Master Promissory Note for a Plus Loan</u> before we can process and have the loan reflect on the student's account. This can be done by navigating to the studentaid.gov homepage, hovering over the "Complete Aid Process" tab, then clicking "MPN for Parents".
- If denied, the student may be eligible to borrow a limited amount of additional Federal Unsubsidized Loans. To learn more about the Parent Plus Loan contact our financial aid department.

☐ Apply For Work Study

- Work Study is a great way for students to earn income, while also building valuable resume experience!
- Work Study eligible students can see current job postings in Workday under the "Career" tab, then select "Find Student Jobs". Apply for jobs and the position supervisor will reach out regarding the next steps.
- Students will be paid bi-weekly through our partner Bankmobile.

☐ Apply for Scholarships

- In order to be considered for NCC scholarships, you must first have the current academic year's FAFSA submitted (2025-2026 FAFSA). Then navigate to northampton.edu and search "Scholarships" in the top-right search bar to review available scholarships.
- On the Scholarships webpage, scroll down to "Apply for Scholarships" and complete the application. The scholarship office will review your application and reach out if you qualify.

FAFSA COMPLETION EVENTS
Get help completing your FAFSA!
Our financial aid team will help with your FAFSA and answer questions about grants, scholarships, and other aid.

Enrollment Center Hours
- Monday, Thursday, Friday: 8am - 5pm
- Tuesday & Wednesday: 8am - 6pm

Work Study:
- Phone: 610-332-6442
- Email: Workstudy@northampton.edu

Financial Aid Office:
- Phone: 610-861-5510
- Email: Financialaid@northampton.edu

Bursar Office:
- Phone: 610-861-5407
- Email: Bursar@northampton.edu

FAFSA Support:
- Phone: 1-800-433-3243

PHEAA/PA State Grant Support:
- Phone: 1-800-692-7392